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Applicant(s): Takeshi MATSUOKA et al.

Invention: METHOD OF OBSERVING SEA ICE

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Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

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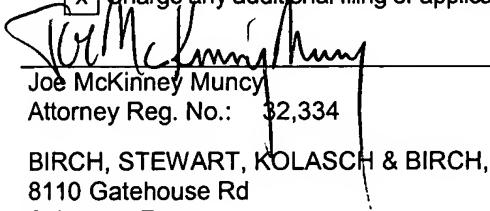
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INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In reply to the Office Action dated April 15, 2005, the following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

This reply includes:

Amendments to the Claims; and

Remarks.